Philad.a 13.th aug.t 1778

Dear Sir

I am informed by Colonel Cox Assistant Quarter Master General that there is an immediate necessity for Magazines of forage being formed, from Coryells ferry to Kings ferry on the North River, by the way of Morris town, for 400 Waggons over and above what is used for the supply of the Army. you are therefore requested to take effectual measures for having them formed without any delay. the first division of the waggons sets off this day and will be followed on by the others without intermission, so that the whole will pass by in a few days — as you are well acquainted with the proper stages to establish the Posts at, if they are not already established, it will be unnecessary for me to mention them, but would add that this service is an essential one to the supply of our Eastern friends and allies and requires your greatest attention to keep up a proper supply of forage for these Waggons as they pass, that no unnecessary delay or interruption be given them. —

I am with great regard & esteem
your friend & humble Servant
Owen Biddle Dep.t to the Comm.r
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To

Colonel Moore Furman
D.Q.M.G.
Trenton

Chatham 13 Aug. 78